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COMMENT ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Applicant has the following brief comment concerning the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are patentable for, and should be construed in accordance with, their respective recitations. To the extent that the language employed in the Examiner' Statement is not a direct quotation from the claims, Applicant submits that the Statement should not be construed in any limiting sense with respect to the scope of the terms used in the claims themselves.

Respectfully submitted,

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